

**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3700**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	§	Attorney Docket No. 31132.195 / PC1005.00
Marik, et al.	§	
	§	Customer No. 46333
Serial No.: 10/806,961	§	
	§	Group Art Unit: 3738
Filed: March 23, 2004	§	
	§	Examiner: Miller, Cheryl L.
For: Constrained Artificial Spinal Disc	§	
	§	Confirmation No. 2351

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE**

**I. Introductory Remarks**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed August 31, 2007 and along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

No fees other than those included herewith are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees, are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

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**Remarks** begin on page 8.